



Carol Anderson, Associate Professor of History at the University of Missouri, spoke on "Bourgeois Radicals: The NAACP and the Struggle for Colonial Liberation, 1941-1960" on November 7, 2008, at the Mershon Center for International Security Studies. Anderson will join the faculty in African American Studies at Emory University in January 2009.



In her talk, Carol Anderson outlined the ways in which the NAACP had helped colonial nations trying to gain independence in the 1940s and 1950s. Conventional thought is that the NAACP stayed out of such struggles in exchange for concessions such as Truman's desegregation of the military; however, Anderson found much evidence that the group worked behind the scenes.



Carol Anderson spoke to a full crowd of almost 60 people at the Mershon Center. Her talk was the first in the center's Diplomatic History Speaker Series.



Carol Anderson spoke with lecture attendees after her talk. From left to right are Bob McMahan, Ralph D. Mershon Professor of History; Molly Wood, Professor and Chair of the History Department at Wittenberg University; and Peter Hahn, Professor and Chair of the History Department at Ohio State.



Carol Anderson (left) talks with Judy Wu, Associate Professor of History and Women's Studies, just before a graduate seminar on diplomatic history on November 7 at the Mershon Center for International Security Studies.



Carol Anderson and Bob McMahon share some thoughts during a graduate seminar on diplomatic history at the Mershon Center. The seminar is part of the center's Diplomatic History Speaker Series, which McMahon organizes.